



# Department of Environmental Quality

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environment for the benefit of current and future generations.*



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**CERTIFIED MAIL**

August 15, 2014

Mr. Steve Palmer  
Gannett Group, Inc.  
PO Box 589  
Lander, WY 82520-0589

**RE: Notice of Violation, Docket Number 5453-14**

Dear Mr. Palmer:

Attached is a Notice of Violation, Docket Number **5453-14**, issued to Gannett Group, Inc. (Gannett) for violations noted by the Wyoming Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ), Water Quality Division (WQD) at the Gannett Peak Estates construction site. Violations at the site include the failure to obtain coverage under the general permit for large construction activities prior to the start of construction, failure to submit a storm water pollution prevention plan (SWPPP) and site map, failure to install effective best management practices (BMPs) to control storm water runoff, and failure to conduct inspections.

While neither the attached Notice of Violation nor this letter constitutes an order, this office strongly urges you to take action to immediately eliminate the alleged violations as follows:

1. Gannett should submit a current SWPPP and updated site map to WQD for review. This information should be received by the WQD on or before August 31, 2014.
2. Gannett should install storm water preventative measures throughout the life of the project to ensure no sedimentation enters a water of the state.
3. Since the inspection Gannett has obtained coverage under a Large Construction General Permit. Gannett should maintain compliance with all conditions established in the WYPDES storm water general permit for large construction activities until the site has reached stabilization.

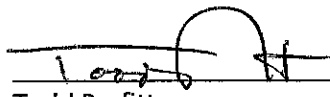
For questions pertaining to the required information and forms please visit the website at the link provided [http://deq.state.wy.us/wqd/WYPDES\\_Permitting/WYPDES\\_Storm\\_Water/stormwater.asp](http://deq.state.wy.us/wqd/WYPDES_Permitting/WYPDES_Storm_Water/stormwater.asp)

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The WQD has the authority to resolve violations with an out-of-court settlement agreement through the payment of a penalty by Gannett. If Gannett wishes to pursue resolution of the previously noted violations through such an agreement, please contact Mr. Kevin M. Wells, WYPDES Natural Resource Program Supervisor, at (307) 777-8669 within 21 days of the date of this letter to set up a meeting to discuss this matter.



Todd Parfitt  
Director  
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Kevin Frederick  
Administrator  
Water Quality Division

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Enclosure: Notice of Violation

cc: David Gwisdalla, 8ENF-W-NP, EPA Region 8 (PDF)  
Jim Eisenhauer, WYPDES Inspection Program Coordinator, Sheridan DEQ Office (PDF)  
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